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HAVING METAL COLUMNS COVERED BY A
RESIN FILM AND MANUFACTURING
METHOD THEREOF

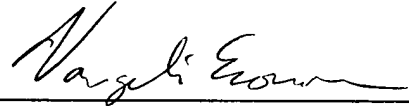
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action dated March 19, 2002, Applicants herewith makes the required provisional election.

Provisional Election

Applicants provisionally elect Group I (Claims 1-3 and 11-14), drawn to a multilayer interconnection substrate, for further prosecution.

In addition, Applicants provisionally elect Species I, depicted in Fig. 4, for further prosecution. It is respectfully suggested that Claims 1, 11 and 13 read on the embodiment illustrated in Fig. 4.

Applicants respectfully traverse the election of the species restriction requirement. It is respectfully submitted that the inventive features are present in all the independent claims of Group I. Applicants shall rely on the patentability of the main independent claims for a showing of unity of invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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